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State To Provide Seed Loan For NCC Condominium Development

Ms. Mary Smith, Treasurer of New Community Corporation, has announced that the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs (DCA) will provide a \$154,000 seed money loan to assist the construction financing of NCC's first condominium townhouse development.

DCA Commissioner John P. Renna, in a letter dated August 8, 1984, told Ms. Smith that DCA "is very enthusiastic about participating with New Community Corporation on this project".

In her letter of August 15, 1984 to Commissioner Renna, Ms. Smith stated:

"On behalf of New Community and the thousands of Newark residents whom we serve, I thank you for your interest and the support of this project. The provision of affordable, owner-occupied housing is a major milestone along the path of Newark's rebirth. The active support of your Department stands as a vivid example of Governor Kean's strong commitment to the revitalization of our state's urban areas."

Mr. Peter Desch, Director of DCA's Housing Demonstration Program and

Mr. Matthew Reilly, NCC's Director of Development will hammer out the details of the seed money contract. The loan will be used to pay for land acquisition and the purchase of the initial manufactured housing units.

The award of the DCA loan is the state's second offer of assistance to NCC's condominium townhouse development (to be known as New Community Estates).

On March 28, 1984, the Members of the New Jersey Housing and Mortgage Finance Agency (HMFA) approved NCC's request for permanent financing through HMFA's Statewide Mortgage Program (SMP). HMFA set aside two million dollars which will be available to provide mortgage loans to qualified buyers. Purchasers of the condominium units in New Community Estates will be able to apply for 11%, fixed-rate, 30 year mortgage loans. This is a very favorable interest rate in comparison with current mortgage market conditions. The Larson Mortgage Company will process the applications and service the loans.

New Community Estates will be a fifty-two (52) unit residential condominium townhouse development

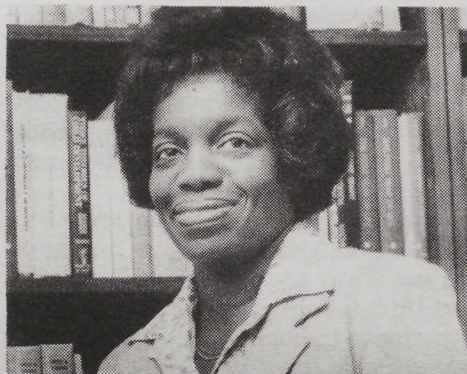
located on a site adjacent to our primary redevelopment area in the Central Ward.

The development will consist of two and three-bedroom units. Each unit

will be a two-story attached townhouse with living space on the first floor and bedrooms on the second floor.

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Mary Smith Appointed To State Human Services Advisory Council



Mrs. Mary Smith

In a letter dated August 3, 1984, Mrs. Mary Smith, Executive Director of Babyland Nursery was invited to participate on the State Human Services Advisory Council by George J. Albanese, Commissioner of the New Jersey Department of Human Services.

A major thrust of the Department of Human Services since Albanese

became Commissioner, has been the development of increased opportunities for public input and participation in Department decision making. During the past year, the latter states, Human Services Advisory Councils have been created in each county. These councils developed plans for new social services funding and are developing comprehensive county human services plans. Now that the county Councils are in place, the Commissioner is appointing a State Council to provide the Department with input on statewide issues and to work with the Department on an ongoing basis toward the achievement of statewide goals.

The Commissioner's letter requested Mrs. Smith's participation as an at large member, and went on to say: "I know your knowledge of New Jersey's human services system will be a significant asset to the Council."

Pediatrician Joins Babyland Dr. Kearney Coming Back

Perhaps what determines "coming of age" is the existence of a history, as a recent interview with Dr. Paul A. Kearney of Short Hills, Babyland's own pediatrician, brought to light.

As we sat chatting in his office, talking about "the days when" it suddenly became a powerful reminder of how far Babyland has come, for Dr.

Kearney himself is part of Babyland history, having served its children from the beginning. We talked about that beginning and about Mary Smith.

Mary Smith does not only listen to her friends and neighbors — she makes things happen. Mothers need-

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Dr. Paul A. Kearney

Babyland III Wins National HUD Award

New Community Corporation and Babyland Nursery have been selected by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to receive an award for the Babyland III Child Care Center pursuant to HUD's National Recognition Program for Community Development Partnerships.

This national award recognizes federally-assisted community development projects which exhibit a unique and successful partnership between community organizations, government and the private sector.

In 1980, NCC was the recipient of a \$200,000 Urban Development Action Grant (UDAG) from the City of Newark and HUD for the construction of Babyland III. Other major participants in the development and financing of this 1.9 million dollar facility include the N.J. Economic Development Authority, the N.J. Housing and Mortgage Finance Agency, First National State Bank, Victoria Foundation, New Community Foundation, Prudential Insurance Company, Engelhard Industries and five different NCC housing corporations.

A ceremony has been scheduled for September 12, 1984 at 2:00 p.m. at Babyland III. Mayor Kenneth A. Gibson and Mr. Joseph Monticciolo, HUD Regional Administrator, will present awards to each of NCC's many partners.

NCC President Arthur L. Wilson and Babyland Nursery Executive Director Mary Smith issued the following statement: "For many years now, New Community and Babyland have understood the crucial importance of partnerships among non-profit neighborhood organizations, government and business. Our society is too complex and our challenges too large for any one of us to go it alone. We are pleased and honored that Babyland III has been chosen for this national award. It is clear to us that partnerships are the best hope for the revitalization and long-term health of our nation's urban areas. New Community and Babyland are proud to be at the forefront of a movement whose time has clearly come. We are grateful for all the support and cooperation we have received from our many friends in government and business."

New Community Employment Center Opens



Zoraida Rodriquez, Mary and John Bins in temporary NCC Employment Office on ground floor of NC Douglas.

The New Community Employment Center opened its doors at NC Douglas during the month of August. It is a non-profit employment agency to help the people of Newark gain the satisfaction that permanent employment can bring.

Unemployment carries many names — layoff, reduction in force, or firing, but the result is the same — someone is out of work, and it's a bad feeling. That's when we can help.

Some who come to the employment center will have worked very recently, while some will never have worked before, and some will be returning after an absence. Some might even come to search for a better job for which they are now qualified.

Whatever the circumstances, the NCC Employment Center will be searching for interview opportunities that fit the applicant. Preparation for the interview will be available as needed.

A serious personal commitment to invest the time and effort necessary to get a job is all that is required.

Here's how it works:

1. Come to the NCC Employment Center to fill out an application and have a personal interview with an employment counselor. The counselor will assess your

skills and background and provide any other counseling you need.

2. Interviews will be arranged with prospective employers.
3. Employment counselor will then provide follow up with prospective employees.
4. After you are hired follow up calls are made by NCC Employment Center for at least three months to make sure placement is satisfactory to all.

Staffing the new Center are a husband and wife team, John and Mary Bins. They are parents of five grown children. John has had extensive experience in business and is leaving a position at the Archdiocese of Newark to open the Employment Center. Mary spent seven years on the staff of the American Cancer Society before coming to New Community.

In addition, a bilingual employment counselor is available on Tuesdays, and in the near future the Center will have another full-time counselor.

The NCC Employment Center is located on the first floor of NC Douglas, 15 Hill Street, Newark, right across Broad Street from Newark City Hall.

There is no fee for our services. Come give us a try!

A Community Credit Union Gives You More For Your Money

Did you mail
in your Credit Union Poll?
Hurry, you still have time.
We want you
to be part of a great thing.

A Community Credit Union (CCU) is better for you because it provides self-help financial assistance. A CCU is a legal entity organized under state or federal law, by and for people who already have a common bond, for instance, people working for the same company; people who belong to the same church; or people who live in the same community. The people who make up a CCU are called members. They agree to save their money in a facility they own and operate — a CCU — and to make their collective savings available for low cost loans to all members. A CCU is a democratic institution whose members elect the Board of Directors. This Board of Directors votes on CCU policies at their annual meeting.

Membership in the CCU helps you to get into the habit of better money management and also regular savings. No matter how little you feel you can save, if you put money in your CCU account regularly it soon adds up. Today, over 44 million Americans recognize their CCU's as good locations for small investments, and inexpensive sources of credit. There are also times when it is necessary to borrow money. Membership in the Credit Union will give you the privilege of borrowing money for productive purposes. Some of the common reasons include medical expenses, vacations, home equipment, family emergencies.

The concept of a CCU is to develop a resource which will enhance community revitalization efforts. The mission of the CCU is not only to serve its members, but to benefit their standard of living as well.

A survey is being conducted throughout the NCC Network and

It's Coming Along!



St. Joseph Plaza is nearing completion of its metamorphosis, as painters, carpenters and other workers perform their particular tasks each day.

The trim on arches and capitals with foliate on top, has been chosen from the regal blue and burgundy colors in the stained glass windows of the former church. Walls are a soft cream, and background arches and wooden railways will be stained to complement each other.

The effect of new spot lighting could be seen on one of the large stained glass windows recently, giving a taste of the final beauty of the Plaza.

The support for the main staircase is in and masons were preparing a flower bed enclosure around the windowed side of the exposed elevator on the ground floor when we were last there.

It won't be long now....



United Hospitals Signs Lease For St. Joseph Plaza

A lease has been signed by Dr. James R. Cowan, President, on behalf of United Hospitals Medical Center and Mr. Arthur L. Wilson, President, on behalf of St. Joseph Plaza Urban Renewal Corporation, for medical space in the new St. Joseph Plaza on

West Market Street.

The lease, executed on July 16, 1984 is for a three year period. Occupancy will commence on or about October 1, 1984.

United Hospitals will be using approximately 11% of the building.

NCC Residents to determine whether there are enough people interested to start a CCU here. We need approximately 600 people to begin one. As a result of questionnaires distributed last month, 248 people pledged their

support for forming a CCU. There are many of you we have not heard from, and we would like your input as well, to help us reach our goal.

For more information contact: Marie Damestoir at 399-3400.

Dr. Kearney Coming Back



Dr. Kearney stands in front of wall plaque which was presented to him by Babyland in 1975, at his Millburn office.

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ed day care for their infants so that they might work to provide for these precious children; Mary provided it. In a rundown tenement in Newark, Babyland began, with seed money from an anonymous donor, and its inception drew and is still drawing, people from all walks of life into its fold to help.

Mary told her story of need to some suburban housewives, and they ended up pitching in with her, washing floors and diapers and working right alongside. There was a need for medical care for the little ones (over 95% under five years of age were deficient in immunizations, Dr. Kearney recalled) and someone drew him in, and there he was tending to the little ones whenever he could.

In the 1970's a nurse practitioner called Soledad Alston came aboard and he was able to help by phone, as she remained at Babyland.

From these humble beginnings, Babyland has grown into a facility operating in three Newark locations and serving 280 children.

Dr. Kearney will now be actively serving those children again as he begins a year of transition before his retirement from private practice.

For the pediatrician it will be a homecoming of sorts, for he was born in Newark, where his father's house on the site of the present Pabst Brewery, had cows in the backyard. He attended grammar school and West Side High School there. After graduation from Providence, R.I. College and Jefferson Medical School in Philadelphia he took his residency in General Practice at the old Newark City Hospital. From there Dr. Kearney traveled to Boston, where he worked at what is now Tufts University.

At that time it was called Boston Floating Hospital, and the intention put forth was to take the kids out of the ghettos and put them on boats for a week in Boston Harbor to get a little sunshine and fresh air. Rickets and scurvy were prevalent, and although doctors did not know why sunshine helped, they knew that it did. Medicine has come a long way since then.

When World War II intervened he joined the service as a flight surgeon, choosing a warm weather post when asked, and was boarding a plane to the Azores, when he was pulled off, he told us laughing. "I was sent instead to Greenland, Iceland, Newfoundland and Labrador. I even treated the Eskimos."

In 1949, after leaving service, he completed his pediatric residency for certification at St. Michael's and started his pediatric practice in Short Hills. It was a country area then and he told us jokingly, "I would have been better off had I been a veterinarian, because all there was were small animals and birds." The popularity of cars, and new roads changed all that however, and soon Short Hills became a suburb of Newark. It grew from 30 to 40 families to its present day size of approximately 10,000 families, and his practice grew along with it.

Now however, he's looking forward to spending some time at Babyland again and had high praise for Mary Smith and Father William Linder, calling them "exceptional people."

The excitement in his voice grew as he talked about their accomplishments in Newark, and told us a story of stopping by to look in on Babyland one weekend and finding Father on hands and knees laying carpeting.

He marveled at the growth of New Community and Babyland each time he turned around, almost. "They create a wonderful place to work," he said referring to Mary and Father, with excitement in his voice in anticipation of his return to Newark. "Their attitudes causes people to want to help, from the Governor on down. And the offshoot is the kids benefiting," he finished earnestly.

He talked of the Babyland firsts — infant care, infant guidelines, nurse-practitioner on staff, new child care center, and his enthusiasm and pride was catching.

It was obvious Dr. Kearney can hardly wait to get here — and we can't wait to have him back, at Babyland!

Seed Loan...

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The units will sell for an average price of approximately \$42,500. The average down payment and closing costs will be approximately \$6,000.

It is estimated that a purchaser will need a minimum annual gross income of \$22,000 to qualify for the mortgage loan.

Each purchaser will be the **owner** in fee simple of his or her condominium unit.

In other recent developments, the Newark Municipal Council has taken action which may enable purchasers of the units in New Community Estates to receive financial assistance from the City.

On August 8, 1984, the Council unanimously adopted a resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Executive Director of the Mayor's Policy and Development Office to establish an "Affordable Housing Program" in four different areas of the City. NCC's proposed New Community Estates lies within one of those four designated areas.

If the Council approves NCC's proposal for the housing development, purchasers will be eligible for cost-writedowns and mortgage assistance. The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development has provided funds to the City under the 1983 Emergency Jobs Act for this purpose.

In the United States, the idea of owning one's home is a major element of the constellation of goals and hopes which we call "the American dream."

We see home ownership as a source of pride, financial security, freedom and privacy. The single-family, owner-occupied home is viewed as the foundation block upon which neighborhood, town and nation rest.

For a large segment of the American people, the dream of home ownership has already come true. Today, however, it is becoming harder and harder to attain that goal. In May of this year, the average sales price of a new, single-family home in the United States topped the \$100,000 mark for the first time in history. At prices like this, the average-income American family cannot afford to own the average-priced home.

The City of Newark has been especially hard-hit by this national problem. The home ownership component of the American dream has been out of reach for moderate income residents of this City for two decades now. A deadly combination of spiraling costs, interest rates and real estate taxes together with family incomes which can't keep pace with inflation have managed to pull the plug on the American dream in Newark.

NCC has been working to solve this problem. Together with the N.J. Department of Community Affairs, the N.J. Housing and Mortgage Finance Agency and the Mayor and the Council of the City of Newark, **NCC WILL BRING THE AMERICAN DREAM BACK TO NEWARK.**

Credit Union Information

Q. What happens to my money in the Credit Union?

A. All the money not loaned to members or invested is deposited in insured banks.

Q. Is it easy to withdraw my money (shares)?

A. Yes. Shares may be withdrawn by applying at the Credit Union office, during office hours.

Q. Are my savings insured?

A. Yes. The National Credit Union Administrative insures Credit Union member accounts up to \$100,000.00 the same as regular Banks.

Q. Will I get interest on my savings and how much?

A. Yes. The actual amount is determined by the Board of Directors at each dividend period. The average dividend rate nationally on savings is 6½%. Some go as high as 9%. That compares to 5¼% at savings and loans or commercial banks.

Q. How can the Credit Union afford these dividends?

A. CCU's are non-profit organizations. Banks are profit-making. In both cases the net earnings or profits are distributed to the owners. But in the Credit Union, the members, who are the users, are also the owners. In banks, the customers are the users, but the owners receive the profits.

Q. How quickly can I borrow money?

A. When you need money, you usually need it in a hurry. The CCU makes this money available quickly at a reasonable cost, when it is necessary.

Q. What will a Credit Union loan cost?

A. The interest rate on a Credit Union loan is determined by its Board of Directors. The maximum Annual Percentage rate on CCU

loans is 12%. Most Credit Unions charge less. CCU's lower interest rates save money for members and make more money available for other users. Each year, many CCU's are able to refund to borrowers a portion of the interest they paid on loans.

Q. Must I have security for a loan?

A. Most Credit Unions have liberal unsecured loan limits.

Q. How long can I take to repay?

A. Repayments are usually made monthly and terms generally are based on a borrower's financial obligations and ability to repay.

Q. What other benefits would I receive?

A. Most CCU's provide loan protection insurance without extra charge for eligible borrowers. The loan is automatically paid in case a member dies or is totally and permanently disabled so that his heirs do not inherit his debt to the CCU.

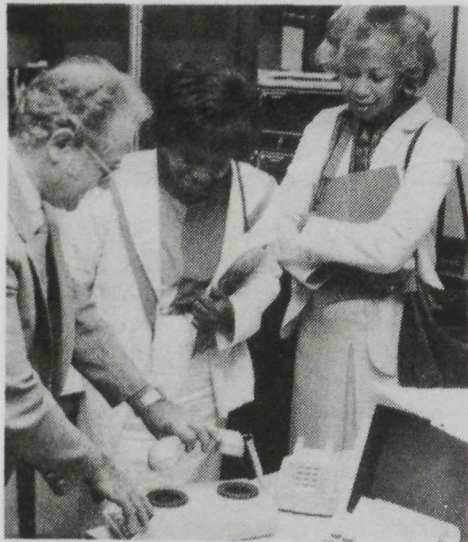
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Computer Literacy Workshop Held NCC Network Introduced To Computer Technology

A one day computer concepts workshop held on July 30th by the Center for Information Age Technology (CIAT) allowed 44 representatives of New Community Corporation, Babyland Nursery, Inc. and St. Rose of Lima to enjoy an encounter with the magic of computer technology. CIAT, with whom NCC



Technician explains functions of telephone and data transmissions to Mary Smith, center, and Madge Wilson.

Systems Design Manager Jim Rohrman has been working closely, is a non-profit organization dedicated to spreading computer awareness throughout the community. It is located at the New Jersey Institute of Technology (NJIT) - the State's largest institute for technological training, and boasts seventeen (17) full-time Ph.D. computer scientists on its staff. It also has one of the largest enrollments of disadvantaged inner city students.

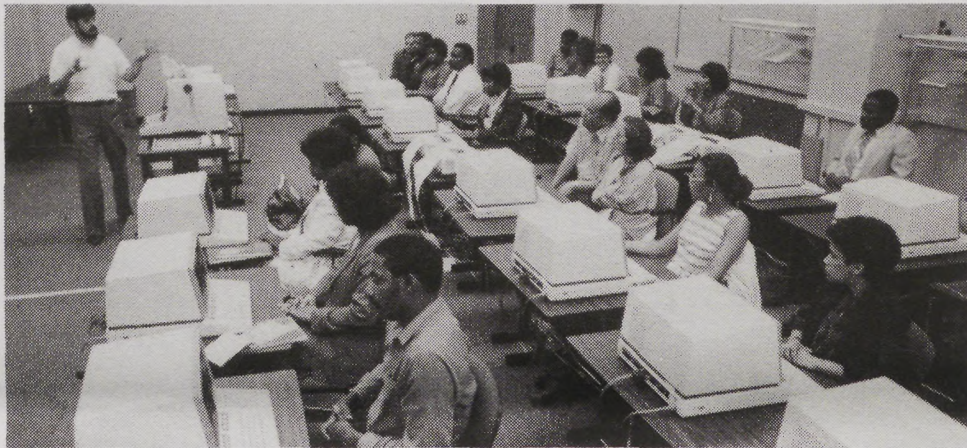
"Be not afraid; computers are the future mode of communication. They will change the way people do things ... and work," stated Patrick R. Brannigan, Executive Director of CIAT addressing the participants. Mr. Bran-

nigan gave a history of the Development of Computers and their growth in usage, describing their gradual shrinkage in awkwardness and operational difficulty. "Computers are being integrated into every day life", said Brannigan. The very first computer he explained was developed in 1934 at Harvard University. It was mechanical and its name was the "Mark I". It weighed 5 tons. Later there was an even larger one at 35 tons, requiring its operators to report to work on **skates** to do the task of calculating. Now by comparison, there are computers 1000 times more powerful, and so lightweight in fact that you can receive data and calculations while holding them in your **hand** and roller skating.

Our group was astounded by how little they actually knew about the way computers interact in our daily lives, and how far we've come so quickly.

Now that we know there is something to help make our work easier and more efficient, the next question is, "How do I know what I NEED?" To set us off on the right track, Ms. Diane Barbour, Associate Director of CIAT introduced the three general categories of computers (otherwise called hardware) i.e. main frame, mini computer and micro computer. She explained the use of each and the practicalities, and recommended vendors. Leaders in the field were IBM, Burroughs, and DEC; also Apple for personal use. It was encouraging to know our finance department works with top vendor IBM, and St. Rose is training students on the Apple IIe.

Next Ms. Barbour showed us what steps to take in choosing "software", the component for the brain of a computer. She recommended seven steps for the "Needs Analysis Procedure": 1) Initial Investigation, 2) Feasibility study, 3) System Requirements



Alan Leurck using micro computers to teach the Electronic Information Exchange System.

Study, 4) Development and Evaluation of Alternatives, 5) Develop/Purchase the System, 6) Install the System, and 7) Ongoing Maintenance. In conclusion Ms. Barbour stressed that one should "determine the system requirements and select the appropriate computer that will handle your requirements." Father Linder wanted to know, "How do we determine compatibility?" - Choose an established vendor and investigate the software to determine its life, was the answer given.

Now that we had consumed an overwhelming volume of information, we were escorted in to a delicious luncheon prepared especially by NJIT Staff, from wine to dessert. "I didn't know they could cook this well", commented Mr. Brannigan.

Returning to the main conference room, the group was split in half.

Dr. Larry Medsker, talked to the first group about how computers are used to solve problems, explaining various applications. From here we went to meet EIES (Electronic Information Exchange System), a system which allows NJIT to communicate with 2000 people across the **world**.

It was through the efforts of Jim Rohrman that this opportunity was made available. Jim expressed his enthusiasm about NCC, Babyland and St. Rose's involvement with computers and felt that our meeting with

EIES would "break the ice". He assured us "it will not blow up if you hit the wrong key."

Elaine Kerr, Associate Director of Information Services for CIAT, familiarized us with the function of EIES. She proved how "it allows a tremendous amount of freedom," especially in working with handicapped youngsters to communicate openly - for many, for the first time. "Online handicapped are not seen as different," said Kerr. Mrs. Kerr went through a series of communications for us so that we could actually see a computer talking. It was great!

In closing, Mr. Gary Thomas, Acting President of NJIT said, "it was good and beneficial to see a marriage of organizations and people to produce good", and Mr. Brannigan commended Reverend William Linder on his work with NCC, Babyland, St. Rose, up and coming St. Joseph Plaza and other projects. "NCC is an inspirational example of what a group of people joined together can do."

With the integration of computers in various branches of management, finance, security, social service, teaching, child care etc., there are unlimited and unconquered avenues yet to be explored and implemented to provide future progress for our community.

Joyce Holmes
Social Services

The Anti-Crime Corner



Georgia Ransome

On September 17th the Douglass-Harrison Anti-Crime Board will begin the neighborhood planning process, as a direct result of information obtained through the recent survey.

The Board will try to implement a strategy that will have an immediate impact in the community. The survey thus far has been very consistent, therefore helping to identify areas of grave concern, reachable as goals. In the next few months our Board will be meeting with several agencies to enlist their support where needed.

The task is not going to be easy, as there are several areas that require prompt attention. However the survey has enabled us to determine the areas that residents feel are most serious, and those will be our first objectives. Anyone interested in becoming involved is welcome to join us. There are several areas of crime that can and need to be addressed. If you still haven't submitted your questionnaire please return it to the management office or call Georgia Ransome 623-4520 to have it picked up.

Senior Citizens Against Crime

Seniors are more vulnerable to crime simply because their life styles are predictable. Their pension and social security checks, etc. come in a timely fashion, thus forcing seniors to become creatures of habit. However, that does not mean you as a senior have to be a victim.

Things You Can Do: Checks

Arrange to set up direct deposits of these checks so that they can be sent directly to your bank.

Shopping

Most NCC residents have a shopping service available where the bus picks them up at home, takes them to the Kearny Shop Rite and brings them back to their door. If you do not participate in this service, try to avoid going shopping alone. Go with a friend or neighbor. Purse snatchers usually avoid circumstances where they can be identified.

Home Repairs

If you did not call a repair man do

not open your door. If he/she claims to have an order that says you require service, tell him/her that you placed no such order and to wait while you call the company to find out where he should be. If he is not legitimate he will probably be gone before you get to the phone. Remember **never, ever** open the door. You are in control as long as the door stays closed and locked.

Be Alert

You know your neighbors, and most of the time their relatives. Seniors are always proud to introduce their children, grandchildren, etc. If you see someone at a neighbor's door that you don't recognize, call the person, or the police if they're not home. You don't have to open your door or get involved; just pick up the phone. Remember, every successful crook tries again. If they know it **won't** work in your community they'll go some place else.

Georgia Ransome

Computers Generate Excitement Understanding Information Age Begins In Newark

The impact of the computer on the world today can easily be compared to the earth shattering change resulting from the invention of the wheel. Both gave birth to a new era of possibility for civilization, enabling human beings to accomplish awesome tasks which were previously undreamt.

Familiarizing people with computers and its capabilities is the task of Mr. Patrick Brannigan, head of the New Jersey Institute of Technology Center for Information Age Technology. The Center was established in 1983 by the State of New Jersey, to help the state enter into the "Information Age" as it is being called.

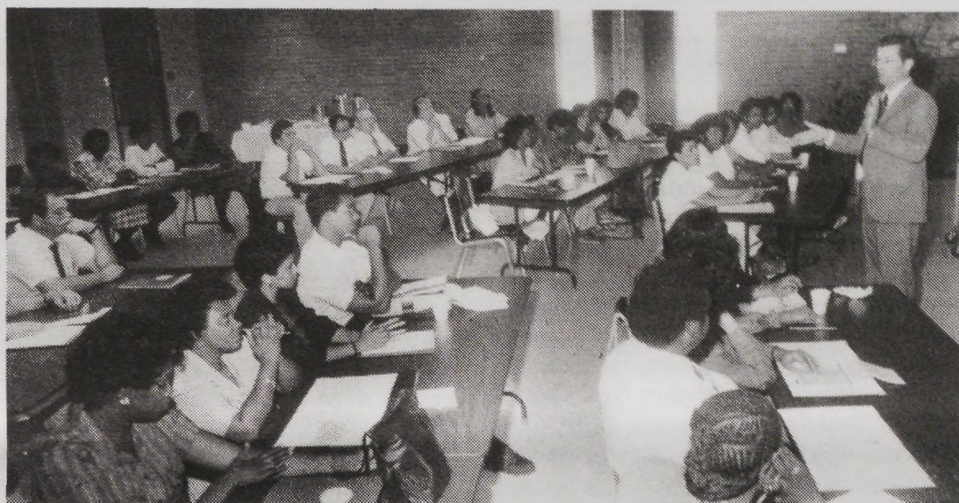
Since computers are incorporated into all aspects of work and recreation, there is a tremendous need to help people understand them — to take the mystery out of them. Forty-four New Community employees recently attended an all day seminar at NJIT intended to do just that, and to help them begin to understand Computer Age Technology.

Any way in which we try to communicate today, explained Mr. Brannigan during an interview, involves some aspects of computers; some of the telephones we buy are actually micro-computers. The memories in phones, that allow us to push a single button for a certain number are an example, and even the switches that are in the Telephone Company offices are major computers. Word processors (rather than typewriters) are computers; and in the accounting field, electric spread sheets produce figures in minutes that would take an accountant hours or days to do, or might even be impossible for him/her to do.

The Center for Information Age Technology (CIAT) was organized to help understanding, particularly by government agencies. The Department of Higher Education provided money to New Jersey to enable CIAT to work with not only these government agencies, but small businesses, schools and non-profit organizations as well.

CIAT custom designs training workshops for organizations, thus allowing them to include work-related materials and utilize the workshops as part of employee development and management planning. Information is provided on technical subjects — data base design, spread sheets and especially **methodology** for making decisions on the purchase of computers.

In discussing computer choices, Mr. Brannigan pointed out that the primary focus should be on the users and their requirements. It is vital that an organization first articulate their mission so that all decisions toward the choice of a computer will work from that mission. "What do I do?" should begin the self-examination. Developing and defining the requirements sometimes takes a great deal of time, for most organizations are very busy doing and working, and the process of defining a mission therefore, is easily talked about but difficult for organizations to follow through on. Vendors tend to compare products, and this is often misleading to an organization.



Mr. Patrick Brannigan unravels the mysteries of the Computer Age for New Community Network employees.

"What do I need done," should be the next question. "What are the capabilities of this machine to do what I need to be done?" These are the questions that should be searched out, the director emphasized.

It is a task that needs expert help, so CIAT has actually set up a methodology to do this; actual check lists to follow on how to make decisions on computers.

An example offered by Mr. Brannigan on the complexity of a system was the **relationships between parts** of an organization. Certainly such things as benefit programs, standard operating procedures, and budgets ought to be available to all; while such things as counseling/client records should not be shared, and provision for confidentiality of these particular records would be required. A system would be set up to require essentials basically done the same way, but with a different end result.

A consensus must also be taken, he went on, as to what is important in an organization, for a computer only gives you what you tell it to give you, and needed information must first be put in before it can be of use.

One of the other things covered in the seminar was the Electronic Information Exchange System (EIES). It is the first computer communication system in the world, and saw its beginning eight (8) years ago. EIES is described as "an advanced computerized conferencing system, with international participation and widespread recognition. The easy-to-use system eliminates geographics and time-dependent limits on communication among its members." Some of the capabilities attributed to it are: (1) electronic mail (2) electronic conferences and meetings (3) notebooks and databases (4) word, text and document processing and (5) custom design communication structures.

Mr. Brannigan sees the way of working and studying changing drastically. These electronic communications computerized, are really going to be the public libraries of the future. Students will gain access to information from data bases rather than from books.

Since 1970 developments have been going on rapidly, so that with the advent of micro chips, a desk top computer today has more power than an entire room sized unit of just a few years ago.

Most people, he noted have not had

time to learn about computers, no matter where they are. This is why the service NJIT provides through CIAT is invaluable.

It is for this reason Patrick Brannigan feels it is really exciting, "particularly being in Newark at this time where you have four colleges — University of Medicine and Dentistry, Essex County Community College, Rutgers and NJIT — enrolling 25,000 students, coming into this area every day."

His heart is also here, since he was born and raised in Newark. He enjoys looking out and seeing the new Public Service building, Gateway and Penn Station. Mr. Brannigan feels that "the efforts of New Community should stand out as a sign to every city in the nation to show them what can be done. It is one of the greatest inspirations of hope," he went on.

Brannigan also feels that Newark can become a leader in the country. He sees vitality in the kids who are coming along, starting their lives in Newark.

The investment in high technology, he hopes, may provide an education for many of the people who live here. "For unlike years past when immigrants came here and started their living by the sweat of their brows, kids of the future face a different marketplace", he went on. He would hope to provide a beginning for them in grammar school. Kids are even familiar with computers in their homes today. The field of high technology is where a lot of the action is, and this he finds exciting.

New Jersey is investing considerable sums of money to provide these learning opportunities. It is an expression of concern by the state to help its people — especially those who would normally not have access to computers.

The one day orientation, such as New Community's, is designed to make people more comfortable with computers, understanding where they came from and where they are going. "It is not a Star Wars machine," he explained. He would like people to feel just as comfortable turning on a computer as they do turning on their car. But just as it takes time to learn to speak German or Spanish so, with practice, can one learn to be at ease with computers.

With the exciting motivation generated by Patrick Brannigan — it will happen.

NCC Family Activity Calendar

Sept.
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| 3rd | Family Cookout Day
10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. |
| 6th | Gardens Banquet
(trip) 4:30 p.m. |
| 8th | Appreciation Party for
Summer Program Volunteers 8:00 p.m. |
| 17th | Theatre Club meeting at
Gardens Pavilion 6:00 p.m. |
| 18th | Open House for parents
Gardens Pavilion 6:00 p.m. |
| 19th | Family Advisory Board
Gardens Family Pavilion 6:00 p.m. |
| 22nd | Mini Zoo (Newark
Museum) 4:00 p.m. |
| 27th | Bell Telephone Presentation,
72 Hayes Street 6:00 p.m. |

Superintendent Supervisor Added



Lawrence Brown

Keeping an eye on the condition of each New Community building and tenant services provided, will be Lawrence J. Brown. He will be supervising the present superintendant staff.

Mr. Brown came to NCC with housekeeping supervision experience gained at Mountainside Hospital in Montclair, N.J. and Mullenberg Hospital in Plainfield, N.J.

Initially, Mr. Brown will be spending a month at each building to upgrade services and schedules before setting up a periodic review program.

THE NEW COMMUNITY CLARION

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AT YOUR (SOCIAL) SERVICE

by the Staff of NCC Social Services Department

New Community Awarded Grant From Essex County

Beginning this October, New Community will be providing a variety of services to a number of eligible residents because of a grant that NCC has recently received through the Division on Aging of the Essex County Department of Citizen Services.

According to the grant, which will be administered by the NCC Social Services Department, \$23,000 will be made available immediately for services provided during October, November and December of 1984. If, funding for the 1985 program is made available through Federal, State and County appropriations, another \$150,000 may be allocated to NCC for all of 1985.

During the last three months of 1984, the services, which include housekeeping, meal preparation and escort services to medical facilities, will be provided to some 60 seniors or disabled adults who meet certain eligibility requirements. The number of persons served will increase to 100 beginning in 1985 if the funds become available.

Similar to the Congregate Services program which is presently administered by NCC Social Services the purpose of the program is to

reduce or prevent inappropriate institutionalization of aged or disabled adults through the provision of these support services.

To be eligible for the program a person must reside in Essex County, meet certain income guidelines, be chronically ill, disabled or frail to the extent that in-home care is required, and not eligible for services provided by Medicaid or Medicare.

Based on the contract, approximately ten (10) workers, or "home friends", will be hired to provide six (6) hours of service each week to sixty (60) residents. In 1985 the number of "home friends" will increase to fifteen (15).

If you, or someone you know, could benefit from this program, please contact the Social Services office at 623-6114.

Residents Cruise Up Hudson

On Thursday, August 16, 1984, thirty-four (34) residents of NCC climbed aboard the Hudson River Dayline, where they enjoyed a full day (over 8 hours) of pure fun and relaxation. The weather was absolutely perfect for the outing. Some of the residents chose to get off the boat for a picnic at Bear Mountain, while others cruised on up to Poughkeepsie, meeting new friends, and enjoying the cool breezes and lovely scenery along the way.

Some of the residents are planning to return before the season ends (September 16, 1984).

It was truly a lovely way to spend the day!!

Gloria Newsome

Douglass-Harrison Shopping Service

Beginning on Wednesday, September 5th, transportation to the Shop Rite in Kearney will be provided to the tenants of N.C. Douglass-Harrison on a weekly basis.

Every Wednesday morning at 9:00 a.m. the NCC bus will transport the shoppers to the store. The return trip should arrive back before 12 noon. The fee is 25¢ and the maximum number of people who can be transported at one time is 20 persons.

For information on how to take advantage of this service please call NCC Social Services at 623-6114.

Baby Grand Pianos Arrive



At recent NC Douglas piano dedication, Ms. Gloria Newsome and Curtis Watkins fill the air with music in the community room.

The residents of two of our Senior buildings, NC Douglas and NC Manor were overjoyed at the recent arrival of their brand new baby grand pianos. Both pianos were delivered during the month of August. The dedication ceremonies for these ar-

rivals were followed by a musical concert which featured Mr. Curtis Watkins, Emily Ross, and Gloria Newsome. More musical programs are being planned for the fall and beyond. Many, many thanks to all those responsible.

Youth Council Revised

In an effort to expand participation and broaden the variety of youth programs provided to NCC youth by the Social Services Department, a new youth council structure has been designed.

The new Youth Council, which calls for equal representation of adults as well as youth, will be responsible for working with the staff of the youth program in planning, operating and monitoring youth service activities.

There will be at least seven areas around which programs and activities will be developed. These areas are the following: **Culture**, including drama, theatre club, dance, music and trips to places of cultural interest; **Education**, including afterschool program, tutorial assistance, various clubs for science, history, reading, etc., educational planning trips to local colleges; **Vocational**, including training pro-

grams, speakers bureau, placement with businesses, trips to various industries, and vocational forums; **Leadership Training**, including exposure to political and economic systems, meeting with leaders of various fields, community action, and development of leadership skills; **Social**, including planning of various sports and recreational activities; **Spiritual Development**, emphasizing the role of spiritual and moral values in society and in daily living.

The success of the new youth council will depend on those adults and youth who serve on the council.

If you are interested in the quality of the programs provided for the youth of NCC and if you are willing to give of your time and talents to this end, please give Gerry Gannon a call at 623-6114.

Discussion Club

Our regular monthly discussion club included representatives from Newark's Neighborhood Consumer Services. Ms. Pierson, a field representative, spoke to NCC residents regarding the use of "scanners" in the major supermarkets (such as Shop-Rite, Pathmark, etc.). Ms. Pierson stated that when possible, consumers should always look for items that have the prices already marked rather than relying upon the scanners to give prices, which many times are inaccurate. Residents also received literature on other facts of interests to the consumers. One such booklet included an updated list of most taxable and non-taxable items.

Representatives from New Jersey Bell's public relations department gave a talk on "The Silent World Under the Sea." The program was approximately 30 minutes long, and explored the potential of the ocean's natural resources -- foods, chemicals,

and minerals. The talk was illustrated with color slides of unusual sea creatures, which, in future generations, "could revolutionize the treatment of many human ills, such as tuberculosis, heart disease, ulcers, cancer, etc."

Tape recordings were used to demonstrate the "mysterious sound of several undersea creatures."

The lectures also included highlights of the United States Navy's "man in sea" experiments, which told of how the aquanauts lived and worked for long periods of time on the ocean's floor. Such experiments were performed to test man's ability to live in an environment as hostile as space.

The residents were most impressed with this informative presentation.

New Jersey Bell will be providing other educational programs for our residents starting this fall.

Gloria Newsome

Happy Rebirth Penn Station

We congratulate N.J. Transit for their "new look" at Newark Penn Station, in downtown Newark. Just recently N.J. Transit took over the station and already we can see significant improvement. A ceremony was held just a few weeks ago to mark the grand opening under the auspices of N.J. Transit. Representatives of NCC were invited to attend this memorable occasion. We can see so many changes that it does not even appear to be the same station. Should you travel into Newark by bus, or train right now, you will step off your vehicle into a brightly colored and decorated station, with bright lights everywhere. You will see maintenance people cleaning and sweeping and see plenty of uniformed police. For a minute you forget that you are in an alleged high crime area.

Those of us who love Newark have waited a long time to see this happen; and it's a good feeling.

We must again thank N.J. Transit for this tremendous undertaking.

NCC is proud to be affiliated with N.J. Transit, as Advisory Board Members. We say, "Right On" to N.J. Transit! Keep the improvements coming.

Virginia Scott

WANTED

Who: Persons interested in the well being of the youth of New Community.

Why: To volunteer to tutor children for 2nd through 12th grade.

When: A few hours each week.

How: Call NCC Social Service at 623-6114.

This is one way in which you can show that you are "Proud to be a Part of NCC."

Fire Department Visits NCC Youths At Hayes Street

At the request of NCC Social Services, the Newark Fire Department visited the NCC Hayes Street Summer Program during the month of August. Fire fighter Ronald Ballaew, represented their agency. Approximately sixty-five children participated in what Fireman Ballaew called a "demonstration fire prevention program." The children ranged in age from one to fifteen. Curious parents from the NCC area came to observe. Ballaew was well prepared and brought a variety of materials and equipment with him that might interest the young people. Some of the items that he brought were components of a real fireman's outfit, including the helmet, rubber boots, coats, etc.

The program itself was excellent. The first section consisted of rap sessions in which he talked to the children about fire prevention, and had a question and answer session relative to do's and don'ts about fires. One of the most significant things he pointed out was that one must not panic or run in the event that there is a fire in your home. He stated that running, or panicking would only make things worse. Instead, one should think as calmly as possible about the best thing to do. If the fire catches onto someone's clothing that person should get down on the floor, or ground and roll. This will help to put the fire out. He gave each youngster a chance to actually roll as though they were putting out a fire. The youngsters loved this and had a lot of fun doing it outdoors on exer-

cise mats, to the sound of disco music.

Next he presented a puppet show. Although this was geared primarily to the little people, the older children seemed to have enjoyed it just as much as they too watched it attentively. The puppets were characterized by two familiar Sesame Street stars although the real actors were two volunteer parents from the Hayes Street Summer Program, Mrs. Ida Williams and Mrs. Sharon Mitchell.

At the conclusion of the puppet show all were taken inside to see a film about fire prevention.

After the program refreshments were served and the young people happily drifted off back to their regular activities.

There have been a lot of happenings involving the NCC Hayes Street Summer Program this month. For example, the parents held a benefit sale of dinners for two days to raise money so that the children could have more trips and parties. Reacting to the enthusiasm that has been shown on the part of the volunteers, the NCC Board extended them a grant of matching funds to purchase a wading pool and other toys and games for the program. Four trips were also sponsored by NCC Social Services through the cooperation of the city to Vailsburg Park, Haunted Mansion, Bronx Zoo and Round Valley.

We are very proud of this dedicated group.

Virginia Scott

NCC After School Program To Begin

Soon the autumn leaves will begin their slow descent from the trees, and the brisk chill of fall mornings will serve as an ever present reminder of nature's change of pace. Parents, teachers, principals and children all across America are preparing with excitement and newborn enthusiasm for the up and coming school year.

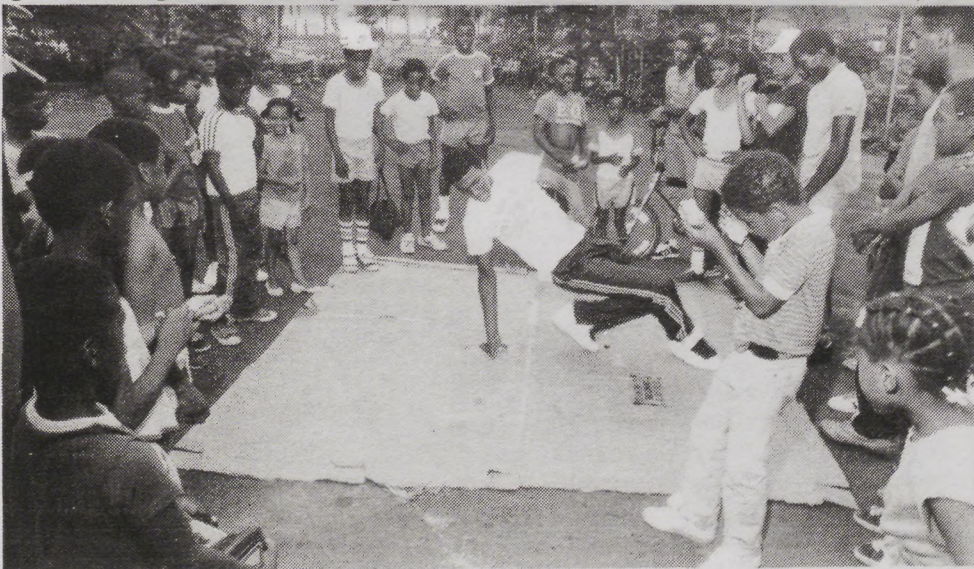
This activity also signals the start of the New Community Afterschool Program. The NCC Afterschool Program is designed for those youngsters

ages 6 to 18 years of age. It provides tutorial help and serves as a recreational outlet for many of the youngsters of New Community.

The program takes place Monday thru Thursday from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. in Gardens Family Pavilion located at 220 Bruce Street.

The program is tentatively scheduled to begin on September 13, 1984. Any resident interested in registering their children should call the Social Service Department at 623-6114.

Paul Reid, Jr.



Youngsters gather around break dancer during NC Commons block party.

NCC Summer Youth Program Comes To A Close

As the bus motored towards Bear Mountain, many of the youngsters were well aware, yet disappointed, that this would be the last trip of the season for the New Community Summer Youth program. For the past six weeks many of these youngsters have enjoyed the friendships, camaraderie and most of all the lasting relationships formed between their peers and the Summer Youth Program staff (SYP).

The NCC Summer Youth program concluded its fourth summer of providing a variety of cultural, recreational, and educational experiences. The program also continues to serve as a vehicle for parents who need some sort of limited day care for their children while they work. The program provided breakfast and lunch for each participant and was staffed by 10 teacher aides supplied by the Summer Youth Employment Program (SYEP), and Youth Chance. The New Community staff included John Richards, Dorothy Williams, Youth Coordinator Paul Reid and Sheila Washington, the Associate Coordinator.

This summer the youngsters of NCC went on more field trips than in any of the previous three summers, much to the delight of the program's participants. Yet much of the credit here should be given to the NCC Board of Directors for its generous increase in transportation funds for the program.

This summer's trips and field activities have included, Sandy Hook, Lake Hopatcong, Lake Welch, Long Branch, the Newark Museum and the Hayden Planetarium, the Bronx Zoo, Brookdale Park, Vailsburg Park, the New York Stock Exchange, Bear Mountain and others. Judging from

the comments expressed by the participants, it would appear that the program was well received by them.

Cynthia Backay stated, "I feel the program was nice. The trips were fun and so were the other kids. At first, when I came, I thought I would not fit in. But the kids were great especially my counselor Todd Palmer. I hope to come back next year."

An always excited and enthusiastic Maritza Rivera stated, "I enjoyed the summer program a lot because we went on a lot of trips and had fun. I also enjoyed it because we did work to help us more in school. My best trip was Great Adventure because it was my first time going there. I am going to come again next year because I had fun this year."

Desmond Grayer had this to say about the summer youth program: "The summer program went nice. We did a lot of fun things. The best trip was Great Adventure. I really liked the New Community Summer Day Camp."

The usually bubbly Tammy Olivio noted, "The summer program was quite enjoyable. I enjoyed the trips, particularly Great Adventure. This year's summer program was the best."

This year's summer program has indeed been a memorable one and the staff would like to wish all those children that participated a happy and successful school year. We hope all the youngsters of New Community approach the school year with big dreams and aspirations. Dream big dreams, and remember, "you can't hit the moon unless you shoot for the stars." Again best wishes for a successful school year.

Paul Reid, Jr.

NC Commons Family News



Members of NC Commons Family Block Club wave for photographer during block party.

Our block party was a marvelous success as expected, thanks to some beautiful people: **Joe Chaneyfield** for his total cooperation and assistance, **Virginia Scott** (Social Services), the **Maintenance Dept.**, **Security Division**, and all tenants that donated food and their time. It was a very happy occasion.

Accomplishments of the club beginning January 1984:

Mother's Day Raffle - May 1984
Atlantic City Bus Trip - June 1984
Theatre tickets - Mama I Want to Sing - (club paid half the cost) July 1984
Club Tee Shirts - August 1984
Block Party - August 1984
These events conclude our meetings until October 10, 1984.
Happy Labor Day!

Roberta Singletary

Hayes Street Children Visit NCC Health Care Center



William Alex Harper of Hayes Street Summer Program receives physical from Dr. Curtis Annon Johnson, Jr.



Ivor Carlisle, RN, Patient Care Coordinator at NCC Health Care Center, conducts initial interview with Venus Williams, center, and her mother Ida Williams before Venus receives physical as part of Hayes Street Summer Program.

Participants of the Hayes Street Summer Program visited the NCC Health Care Center during August. Each child received a thorough examination by pediatrician, Dr. Curtis Johnson, Jr. and Nurse Ivor Carlisle. The exam was given at a minimal cost, or no cost at all to the patient, depending upon the type of medical coverage available to the family. The children acted very mature.

Fortunately for some children, the doctors were able to pick up a few health problems that parents were not aware of. For example: One child with asthma was seen by the doctor and referred to an allergist at United Hospitals who would reevaluate both

medicine and the child's condition and provide treatment as needed.

The parents were very pleased and grateful to have their children thoroughly screened by a specialist, at a convenient time, right in their own community, within walking distance, without having to sit in a crowded waiting room for at least half a day.

Mr. Williams, a parent of one of the patients stated that, "I think this is one of the best things that could happen for my family because my daughter is kind of sickly and I need a reliable doctor that she can see without a lot of red tape."

Virginia Scott

FOOT FACTS:

Balance and Imbalance Of the Feet

Every upright structure, whether alive or not, must have balance to remain properly erect with the least amount of stress and strain. The base, or foundation of the upright human body, is the feet.

What Is Foot Balance?

Foot balance can be described as the ability to alter one's position so that the body weight is carried through the foot with a minimum of effort. This normal, effortless foot balance enables us to move about with complete comfort.

What Is Foot Imbalance?

Imbalance is a condition involving the entire foot. The foot's many parts are not in their proper position to support and carry the body weight without undue stress and strain. This abnormal strain caused by foot imbalance often is the reason for occupational inefficiency (afternoon fatigue), leisure discomforts and even restless sleep.

The Causes of Foot Imbalance

The causes are many and varied, such as: contracted toes, improper position, size or shape of one or more bones of the foot, weak or rotating ankles, muscle strain, weak ligaments, poor body posture, overweight, arthritis, injuries and of course, improperly fitted or shaped shoes.

The Effects of Foot Imbalance

Improper relationship between parts of the foot will cause strain and eventually foot aches and pains. Modern research has shown that so-called "fallen arches" and "dropped metatarsal" do not exist. These symptoms are due to imbalance of the entire foot. *Corns and especially calluses are most often due to imbalance.* Elsewhere weak ankles, leg cramps, painful knees, pulling in the thighs, low back pain and even headache might all be directly due to foot imbalance. Thus the statement, "When your feet hurt, you hurt all over."

What To Do About Foot Imbalance

First your podiatrist must make a *diagnosis*. A complete foot examination, which may include x-ray, is essential. General body posture will be considered along with occupation and a medical history. After gathering all this information a regimen of

Dr. Kenneth Frank

Podiatrist



treatment will be outlined. The goal of this restoration period is to produce the best possible painfree state that can be had for each abnormal foot. Following such treatment, properly balanced shoe padding, "balance inlays," molds or other means will be used depending on the findings and foot adaptation. This final phase is employed to keep the foot in its new balanced position.

What Are Balance Inlays?

Since each foot is distinctly different in numerous ways from any other foot, your "balance inlays" are constructed over plaster models of your feet. From these models, the original findings, your adaptation to balance therapy treatment, etc., a foot mold, of light construction, will be made. In effect, these inlays, to be placed inside the shoes, give you a new balanced walking foundation.

Balance inlays are *not* arch supports. At best, the commercial arch support might temporarily relieve those suffering from simple foot strain. Their use without professional diagnosis may hide early symptoms of more serious conditions. Your podiatrist is best qualified to suggest the proper method to balance your feet.

TIPS ON HEALTH:

How Well Do You Know Your Rights? Test Yourself

True or False

1. You have the right to ask your doctor to call a consultant anytime you choose to do so.

True. A second opinion is one of the best means to safeguard the quality of your case. If you have any doubts about your physician's mode of treatment, ask him or her to get a consultant. Furthermore, you yourself may suggest the name of one. If your physician is a good one, he should not resent your request. If, on the other hand, he shows that he is insulted, I would suspect that his ego far supercedes his desire to give you the best of care.

Asking your doctor for a second opinion is different from just going to another one. This is known as shopping around and should be done only if you want to change doctors altogether. If this is your intention, you should tell the second doctor all the tests that the first one has already performed. And this leads to the next question.



Soledad Alston
R.N.

Pediatric
Nurse
Practitioner

True or False

2. You have the right to refuse to undergo some tests recommended by the doctor.

True. This second doctor should ask for your records from the first one. You should be suspicious if he says that this is not necessary and that you should take all these tests again. That is why there is not much to be gained by shopping around. Consultation is really the best course to take. And you have every right to check on the qualifications of the consultant who should be board-certified and limit his practice to that specialty which concerns itself with your disease or complaint.

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Registration Time Here St. Rose Provides Alternative

Parents seeking to enroll their children into St. Rose of Lima School for the 1984-85 school year, for Kindergarten to eighth grade, are asked to do so as soon as possible. Both health records and birth certificates, as well as a twenty-five dollar registration fee, along with a payment equivalent to one-third of the total tuition, are required at the time of registration.

A certificate of transfer, followed later by an official transcript, from each registrant's previous school must be secured and rendered by each parent.

To obtain additional information

visit the school at 540 Orange Street in Newark, or call the school office at **481-5582**, between the hours of 9 a.m. and 2 p.m.

As general policy, St. Rose of Lima School admits students of any race, color, sex, national and ethnic origin to all rights privileges, programs, and activities generally accorded or made available to students at the school. It does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, sex, national and ethnic origin in administration of its educational policies, admissions policies and other school administered programs.

Cathedral Concert Series

Thomas Michalak
Michael Pratt
Warren Brown

Artistic Advisor and Conductor
Assistant Conductor
Director, Cathedral Concert Chorus

September 16,
3 p.m.

A celebration of *Mantovani's* best loved hits, performed by the Cathedral Concert Orchestra in a **SPECIAL CONCERT**. This concert is the well received program that the Orchestra performed throughout New Jersey during the Summer.

September 30,
3 p.m.

Ransom Wilson with the Cathedral Concert Orchestra. Also featuring the Newark Boys Chorus. A program of Mozart, Bartok, Hayden and Foote.

October 14,
3 p.m.

The Cathedral Concert Orchestra, a full 96 piece assemblage, performing *Gustav Holst's "The Planets"* and American composer *Richard Nanes' "Symphony No. 2."*

October 28,
3 p.m.

An afternoon with the "Movie Theme Team" *Ferrante and Teicher*, the most popular piano team performing in the world today.

November 11,
3 p.m.

Internationally renowned pianist *Stephen Bishop-Kovacevich*, with the Cathedral Concert Orchestra, in an all Beethoven performance, including the "4th Piano Concerto" and the "2nd Symphony." The New Jersey Philharmonic Glee Club will perform a selection from "Fidelio."

December 2,
3 p.m.

Symfoniczna Orkiestra Wloscianska, a Polish peasant orchestra, featuring singers, dancers and musicians in native costumes and language.

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December 19, 1984 8 p.m.

ADMISSION TO THE CAROL SING IS BY TICKET ONLY. Tickets: \$5.00
Send your check or money order with a self-addressed stamped envelope to the Cathedral of the Sacred Heart, 89 Ridge Street, Newark, New Jersey, 07104.

Let Us Celebrate Together The Beginning Of PEACE!

PEACE stands for:

Program to End Abuse in the
County of Essex

PEACE is a new counselling center and hot line phone number for victims of domestic violence, sponsored again by **BABYLAND NURSERY, INC.** It is especially created for those who live in suburban Essex County. The center is in Mother Joseph

Residence Hall within Caldwell College on Bloomfield Avenue in Caldwell. Our opening date is Wednesday, September 5, 1984 at 7:30 p.m. Our hot line phone number has not yet been established, but be sure to look for it in the next issue of the Clarion. If you would like to help out for PEACE, please contact Sister Clare at 484-4446.

Theatre Club Happenings

Mama I Want To Sing

In July, members of the NCC Theatre Club sponsored a ride to the Hecksher Theatre in New York City, to see the famous, Off-Broadway Show, "Mama I Want To Sing," featuring Desiree Coleman, Doris Troy, Carol Dennis, Randy Higginsen, Vy Higginsen, and Steve Williams. The show was produced by Vy Higginsen. Musical selections were provided by the Reach Ensem-

ble. The entire production was fantastic. There was laughter, there were tears, there was a reflection of old pop and jazz greats, such as Billie Holiday, Dinah Washington and others. Also, there was a significant concentration on interfaith spiritual music. All in all, it was a great show. The price was very reasonable. We recommend the show very highly and urge everyone to see it soon.

George Benson

On September 6th, we are going to the lovely Garden State Arts Center in Holmdel, N.J. to see the incomparable George Benson. Tickets are only \$15 per person. For more information call Social Services.

Anyone can become a member of the theatre club. If you have not signed up yet, do so right away. The coming year promises to be very exciting.
Virginia Scott



Extended Care Facility Shapes Up!

Craftsmen set bricks in place on outer walls of New Community Extended Care Facility (below). Upper right photo shows crane lowering large concrete slab in place as first level of facility begins to take shape and on lower right masons and laborers can be seen as they continue to mold out basement of nursing home, making way for plumbing and sewer systems.



Enrichment Activities A Success

Before the Babyland Summer Program ends, it's time to look back and see what our children in the program have learned during this ten week period. Ten weeks seems to be a long time, but this is a very short period for a program to accomplish what this program has.

The Babyland Summer Enrichment program had been planned to introduce to our youngsters the cultural values, norms, and beliefs necessary to strengthen their way of thinking in order to better function in the environment in which they live. To do this, the staff coordinated activities and trips to different institutions in addition to on site activities.

Basically, it seems, one of the favorite activities at the St. Rose Site sessions involves dining and cooking classes conducted by Counselors. Before children begin to eat their meals, they start by learning the proper way to set tables and table etiquette with proper placement of spoons, forks and knives.

Besides the cooking classes, this program has introduced other activities like ceramics. Mrs. Ransome being our great teacher in the ceramic classes, children have learned to clean shells, paint the shells, and take them home where children can put the decorated shells either on a table or hang them on the wall. And every time they look at what they have accomplished they feel proud of themselves.

In order to let children visualize what goes on in other institutions or countries, we made educational visits to different places like Schoenburg Library, which is the part of the New York Public Library housed in Harlem. This library contains collections of books describing the Blacks Culture, the struggle for freedom, and their experiences as slaves from Africa and the Caribbean as well as related artwork and music.

In addition, another important place visited was the United Nations. In the U.N. children learned a lot of things they have not known in their lives and ideas even teachers in the classroom have not mentioned to them. Children learned that United Nations is not made up of not one country, but a group of 158 countries, and all these countries do work hand in hand to maintain peace in the world. The conference building and the general assembly were seen and outside the United Nations they could find the headless statue of Henry Moore, and the Peace Bell of Japan that was made of melted money. Our youngsters also learned that there are 54 countries who are members in the Trusteeship Assembly.

During the tour inside the United Nations building, children acknowledged that the buildings do have different rooms for the different purposes. The Security Council room is where representatives from each country-member meet to discuss peace in the world. The debates in this room are covered in six different languages — Spanish, French, English, Chinese, Russian and Arabic. Each of these languages have interpreters. From the Security Council room, children moved to the next

room which was the Economic and Social council. This room is used by the member countries to discuss the hunger problem in the world and the help available for the starving and developing countries. Our children learned that the United Nations is not only for keeping peace, but supporting poor countries by providing funds for education and health services. On the way there were several displays. One of the displayed rugs indicated the peace signing of the War of Korea, given as a gift from Denmark — which also indicates a sym-

good manners by our children.

Finally, as children had continued with the horseback riding lessons, most of them have already eliminated the fear they had in the beginning. They have shown great enjoyment of the rides as they have become familiar with the horses.

Also, here at St. Rose children have been taking computer classes regularly, where most of them have become familiar with the machine and already have learned the methods of writing their own program using the basic and logo languages. This has



Youths of Babyland's Summer Enrichment Program learn valuable tips from YMCA swim instructor, Kevin Mitchell.



Left to right are Key Jo Olds, Tina Ogunbole and Dashawn Alston, all smiles and excitement after returning from trail ride at West Wind Riding Academy.



bol of peace and freedom.

As we have stressed from the beginning the Summer Program was not only designed to be educational, but a cultural exchange — a reinforcement of ideas to help children to be more constructive. As a result, youngsters with the help of counselors have planned to have a play for their friends, parents and relatives. The play is called "Culture in Babyland Summer Enrichment". This play reflects what the children have learned in the period of ten weeks.

Through those day to day activities and trips to different institutions, and working together with the children, these experiences became a cause for positive attitudes about self and the conduct of one's life, proper social values, norms, behavior and

been a great achievement for our children and we all can be proud of them.

Swimming lessons have also continued and seem to have attracted most of our youngsters. Some seem to have taken it as their hobby, where they even try to practice how to swim at their houses. This has been a great experience for most of the youngsters when they looked back and recognized how much they have learned in this program. They do appreciate the support they received from Babyland's staff and directors and we do plan to continue working together with the children, visiting more places and having computer classes for the remaining time.

A. Musilu

Babyland III

The children at Babyland III are continuing to enjoy many more summer trips to such places as Staten Island Zoo, Willowbrook Mall, St. Rose of Lima Tot Park, and Linden Airport.

At the zoo the children had the opportunity to view, touch and learn about a wide variety of animals.

At the mall they enjoyed going through the various stores especially the toy store where they became very excited on seeing many of their favorite toys. In the mall there was also a "wishing well" with which they were fascinated. They all pretended to throw money in the well, then made their little wishes.

However, the airport seemed to excite them most of all. A guide took them on a tour around the airport and showed them various plans and helicopters while explaining their various parts and their functions. He also allowed them to take turns entering the cockpit and sitting in the pilot's seat to operate the controls.

"I am a pilot now," said Tameka, "I'll fly this plane way up in the sky." They also looked on anxiously and excitedly at the planes and helicopters as they saw them landing and taking off.

Everyone had a wonderful time and they are all delightedly anticipating their next trip.

NC Roseville

Gospel Concert

Roseville's One South Eighth Street Club, in July, presented "Russells Attractions," featuring Gospel singing of "The Motivations." The community room was filled with many people who came that night to hear the well known gospel singers. After the songfest they said they'd like to come back to entertain at Roseville again. The One South Eighth Street Club President, Illa Barnes, and club members were fully responsible for the program's success, serving home-made cakes, cold punch, and hors d'oeuvres (finger sandwiches) during the intermission. Everyone enjoyed...had a great time!

Cook Out

Two combined clubs at NC Roseville sponsored an "Everybody-get-together-cook-out" Saturday, July 21st.

What began as a cook-out, turned out to be a **cook-in** because it rained all day long. As a result the women of both clubs cooked the meats and prepared the salads inside. Bar-b-que beef ribs, hot dogs, and burgers were also taken to the sick and shut-in members. Volunteers from the One South Eighth Street Club and Roseville Good Neighbor Club worked very hard for the event. Thank you all.

Mini-Concert

In August, Mr. Curtis Watkins, New Community Musical Director, put on a mini-concert for Roseville residents in our spacious community room. Singing and playing the piano, Mr. Watkins displayed his profession with many old popular tunes, and show songs from Broadway.

Mr. Watkins commented that he likes playing at Roseville, for its high ceiling in the community room really gives off fine sounds when playing the piano.

R.S. Perkins

Babyland Expresses Appreciation

Over sixty people gathered at Vesuvius Restaurant in Belleville, N.J. on Saturday, July 28, 1984, for an Appreciation Luncheon sponsored by Babyland Nursery, Inc., to show their esteem to Board Members, employees, parents, and friends for their commitment to the company's goals and objectives. Special consideration was given to those who demonstrated a willingness to assume responsibility in the best interest of the agency.

The distinguished honorees were many. William Eberhardt and Louis DeGroat, friends of Babyland, were recognized for their many volunteer hours to fundraising projects. Deborah Julu, a parent, was honored for enthusiastically volunteering her services at most of the agency's functions. Berta Perry, an employee whose new position of Director of Housekeeping was announced, was remembered for her sixteen years of service to Babyland. And other "friends of Babyland" received acclaim as well.

Mary Smith, the Executive Director, expressed her gratitude as she called the names of those who were awarded plaques, gold watches, and/or Certificates of Appreciation. Board Members assisted in handing out certificates to Babyland employees. Participants came up in "graduation style" to accept their awards. It was a joyous occasion and Martha Carroll, Mistress of Ceremonies and Administrative Assistant for Babyland, asked the group to go forward sharing their special talent with others, to create a contagious atmosphere of "initiative out of interest", which will increase the number of next year's participants.



Ms. Mary Smith, Executive Director of Babyland Nursery, Inc. presents awards at Babyland Appreciation Luncheon.

—Babyland I—

The children at Babyland I are enjoying colorful pictures while sitting on the floor with the Summer Youth Employment Program workers. They read to them and show flash cards. The children are enjoying all the attention of the Caregivers and the SYEP workers. Now that summer is almost over, we are getting back into the swing of a new school year. The children go to a local park area on nature hunts. They found various size stones and branches for their science area.

On August 17th, Babyland I children went to the Tot Park over at Babyland II for a cook-out. The children really enjoyed the change of scenery.

Babyland I Staff
Emma Hightower
Carol Leadbetter
Kathy Davis

—Babyland II—

The children at Babyland II are enjoying the summer activities very much. Thus far they have picnicked at Branch Brook Park; enjoyed a cook-out in the Tot Park; ridden on the City Subway's Trolley car — and each child was thrilled to receive a train conductor's cap. It was an enjoyable sight to see the 3 and 4 year olds wearing their authentic looking train caps.

The older children visited the Newark Jr. Museum's Anniversary Exhibition and viewed abstract and representational drawings, paintings, sculptures and fiber work that were created by artists 3 to 11 years of age. They were especially excited to see and receive information about the animals in the "Mini-Zoo." The learning experience is fun as well as growth promoting; we extend it beyond the classroom.

Parents are invited to participate in the trips and have helped plan activities for themselves that include a cook-out and day trips for their summer enjoyment.

In the future the staff will plan art activities for the children which will help re-capture their summer experiences.

Beverly Dunn
Center Supervisor

—The Douglas—

In June, the We Care Club served fish and chicken dinners for a small donation. The proceeds are to be used for the sick and shut-ins of the Douglas.

The dinners were cooked and served by the club members: Edith Lott (president), Helen Vaughn, Mae Byrd, Rosa Rock and Willa Mae Armstrong. Keep up the good work. We the tenants compliment you.

We are happy to announce that we are the proud owners/parents of a 5 ft. Kikawai Baby Grand Piano, purchased from Altenburg Piano House in Elizabeth by New Community Douglas Homes for the enjoyment of its residents.

On August 20th there was an exciting concert/christening.

All clubs that adjourned for the summer will resume in September. We hope everyone had an enjoyable vacation.

Alma Hanks

NC Manor Senior

Hot Fun in the Summertime...

It was picnic baskets, umbrellas, coolers and beach towels as some residents strolled off to the cooling shores of Asbury Park.

The happy shore-goers ranged from, Keisha, the youngest member of the group at age three and granddaughter of Mrs. Ellen King, to Mr. Ralph Branch, who at 92 still loves to stroll on the boardwalk and watch the sights.

It's always a pleasure to change your surroundings, see new faces, and especially find someplace where there is a cool breeze, on a day when the thermometer reads a scorching 91°. It is sheer delight to be transported from a heated torment to a cooling bliss. Ah! the lazy days of Summer.

The trip was the result of diligent savings and planning by the 545 Club located at NC Manor Senior. The club has about 20 active members and Mrs. Ethel Clark, who is the President, is very proud of their accomplishment. This is the first trip sponsored by the 545 Club and many more excursions are planned for the future.

Building Pride Spreading...

Some of the residents at NC Manor Senior have taken the initiative to spruce up their home. Ms. Rachel Roberson, who is on vacation from her job as a senior cook at the Board of Education in Newark, took it upon herself to donate gloves, buckets and steel wool to clean the corners of the elevators. "I am proud of where I live and want to keep it clean. If everyone showed some pride and did a little to help, that means a lot." Ms. Roberson can always be found pitching in to improve the quality and appearance of her living area.

There are also beautification steps being taken on the outside under the caring eye of Mr. Thurman Feggins and his helper Mr. Arthur Smith. Currently they are working on improving the grounds, clearing away weeds and rubbish, turning the soil and getting areas ready for Fall flower planting.

With all this activity going on there is definitely a growing interest in community pride, something which is hopefully contagious and will involve more people as time goes on.

Joyce Holmes

An Unexpected Interlude



Rev. Eli Williams

On a recent visit to NC Douglas we were drawn to some lovely sounds drifting from the community room. A peek inside treated us to an unexpected concert graciously given by NC Douglas Resident Rev. Eli Williams, at the keyboard of a new baby grand piano. He accompanied his playing in a mellow bass-baritone voice. Rev. Williams is typical of the abundant hidden talent found at New Community. He studied music at Florida

A and M in Tallahassee and received his degree from the Julliard School of Music in New York City. He has received awards in voice.

Rev. Williams told us he worked as a boiler engineer and fireman, receiving his blue seal, to back up his career in music.

Such a delightful musical interlude for the Clarion team — and for residents of NC Douglas listening in.

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Dynamo Volunteer For Community Health

When we arrived at her office Mrs. Aneatha Todd had a problem. She and a visitor were trying to figure out how a reel to reel film projector worked. Harrison Green, the Clarion photographer, pitched in to help — and lo and behold, it was going! Mrs. Todd went through the process of setting up the projector and feeding through the film once more on her

and they are doing a service. They know I need their help," she said straightforwardly. "Do I need you today!" is her answer when they call up, and she thanks God they do.

Ms. Todd also serves her community as a member of the Essex County Council of the Health Systems Agency, formerly the Comprehensive Health Planning Agency. Currently

meetings in Princeton and Trenton by train, where she has help to get off and to a cab, but makes the meetings nonetheless.

She has also just finished a two year term with the Red Cross and now serves on the Essex County Disability Committee for the Disabled.

When Ms. Todd saw NC Roseville open with all its Seniors she begged United Hospitals, where she is on the Board of Trustees, to get involved. Again she urged them to contact New Community when NC Manor on Orange Street brought more seniors into the hospital area. It is this concern about those around her which

gives flesh to her work for others.

Her love for the piano is expressed on Sundays which "I spend in Church," she told us. She plays piano before devotionals at a little missionary church in Newark and she has gradually taught herself to play the organ at another church.

Born in Tallahassee, Florida, Ms. Todd came to Newark in 1949 and just never left. There was too much to do. She lives here with her husband James.

Her hearty spirit is a much needed tonic to all who meet her, and we are glad to be able to bring her story to our Clarion readers.



Mrs. Aneatha Todd, Volunteer Coordinator of Newark Unit of American Cancer Society types out some envelopes at desk.

own until she was satisfied she had mastered it, and then gave us her attention.

Sounds rather easy doesn't it? Except for the fact that Mrs. Todd is legally blind.

Her refusal to let her blindness be a handicap is typical of the character of this marvelous, warm, sunny Volunteer Coordinator for the Newark Unit of the American Cancer Society. She was preparing for a "Film Festival" to be given later in the week to educate people about Cancer. "I would like to see it licked in my lifetime," she said sincerely.

Since the Newark Unit received its full charter this year, it was fitting they have an office from which to conduct their program; so on February 6, 1984 the space at 110 William Street in the Department of Health and Welfare opened its doors.

Ms. Todd is pleased to be its Volunteer Coordinator, for as she told us, "whenever you're volunteering you are making it possible for someone who's getting paid to keep a job." Her RSVP (Retired Seniors Volunteer Program) workers provide help and enjoy the fact that they are performing a valuable service. The volunteers handle general office work, make referrals and distribute materials and information. Ms. Todd is very proud of the fact that she and her RSVP's handle the complete operation themselves. The number of volunteers never goes below 10 at any time and many who started as volunteers have gone on to permanent jobs. When they do, the next person who asks "Can I help?", fills the void.

The volunteers "kind of keep me on an even keel and keep my balance,

the Health Systems Agency does the planning of health facilities like nursing homes, extension of number of beds, dialysis units, getting CAT Scanners, etc.

Their duties also include setting up courses in the health agencies for health training of technicians, and things of that sort, as well as getting these courses into school programs, according to Ms. Todd.

Having been involved with the Board of Education before her retirement in 1970 (she had been teaching there since 1956) she found herself drawn into health concerns, because of her Home Economics background. She had to choose between a career of music or Home Economics. "The Lord chose wisely," she said, "for I've been able to help more folks by teaching them how to eat properly ... than to sing properly." She feels a college education should fit you for living and her work reflects this theory.

Aneatha's focus was always toward health, so when the riots of 1967 occurred she was already working with Model Cities and the needs of her people. Since she was already knowledgeable of their needs, having spoken **with** them, she could accurately, and intelligently speak on their behalf, not for them but **with** them, as one of them, she pointed out strongly.

Her blindness has never been a deterrent and she, in fact, was still working when declared legally blind. She admits to being a non-conformist in this respect and is pleased that she can continue to be of service. "Just being blind doesn't mean I can't work," she told us emphatically.

Ms. Todd is on the TB Council for the state of New Jersey and goes to

"The Stone Which Was Rejected..."

Acts 4:11. "...the stone which was rejected...has become the chief cornerstone."

Some people seem to get the 'breaks' in life, while others have to make the 'breaks'. There are instances where a person needs a little push, a little hand-up to get started along that road of change toward a better situation. Encouragement is helpful to someone who is discouraged and feeling depressed. The fortunate might unselfishly give themselves to help those less fortunate. A little guidance given to the reticent may be the means of moving an impassive person to becoming a kinetic, creative, and producing individual.

Some students have difficulty in understanding some subject matter, and become frustrated, disinterested, and give up. A goodly number of these students drop out of school. Some of them could be saved if only someone would take the time to motivate them, and help them to overcome their scholastic impediments. There is a vast untapped resource of talent, and ability in the community. If developed, this vast waste could become a great energizing force for self, family and community service and good. There have been cases where dropouts have returned to school and earned a high school diploma, and then gone on to college. One such person went on to college, received a degree, and became an administrator of a government funded agency assisting people in need of special services. Other dropouts 'dropped in,' got their high school diplomas, took and passed civil service examinations, and joined the police and fire departments.

People who were not judged to be of much consequence became, through their untiring efforts, creative, productive, and servicing. Grandma Moses didn't start painting until she was seventy-six years old. She never had an art lesson. She began to paint when arthritis made it difficult for her to hold embroidery needles. Her art work was represented in the Museum of Modern Art in New York City. Dr. Daniel Hale Williams' father died when he was eleven, and his mother deserted him. He worked to support himself and get an educa-

tion, eventually becoming a doctor, but was not allowed to use the facilities of the Chicago hospitals. Operations, in those days, were performed on kitchen tables in tenements. When John Cornish, a street fighter, suffered a knife wound in an artery a fraction of an inch from his heart, Williams opened his chest and repaired the wound, saving Cornish's life. Dr. Daniel Hale Williams became the first person to perform open heart surgery.

Often the poor are looked down upon, despised, ostracized, castigated, and rejected. Some poor people developed goals, worked and studied hard, did the best they could in their endeavors, persevered, endured, and succeeded. George Washington Carver, born a slave, was a frail, sickly child with little chance to survive. After being turned down by many colleges, he was finally admitted as the first black student of Simpson College, now Iowa State University, where, while working as the school janitor, he received a degree in agricultural science, and two years later his master's degree from the same school. Later he developed more than one hundred different products from the sweet potato, and more than three hundred different products from the peanut.

Sometimes people with certain physical conditions are neglected or under-esteemed; yet, history abounds with cases of these people achieving, succeeding, accomplishing, and contributing greatly to society. Now, a cornerstone is an important foundation stone selected for its strength. It is a large and costly stone which helps to support the weight of the whole upper structure. It is a 'tried' stone. It takes some doing for an insignificant rejected stone to become a cornerstone. But, "all things are possible with the Lord." He can take you and me, and give our conversion a physical, mental, moral, and spiritual experience which can revolutionize our intellectual life, and redefine our religious objectives. He can take the stone which was rejected and make it into a cornerstone supporting the upper structure of a beautiful life and meaningful living.

Lewis Graves
Springfield Branch
Newark Public Library